

# What is the Congressional Student Art Competition?

Since 1993, Congressman Xavier Becerra has held an annual Student Art Competition open to all high school students who reside in the 31st Congressional District. Each spring, a nation-wide high school arts competition is sponsored by the Members of the U.S. House of Representatives. The Congressional Art Competition is an opportunity to recognize and encourage the artistic talent in the nation, as well as in each congressional district.

# **31st Congressional District Student Art Competition**

### **Eligible Contestants:**

All high school students and 7th and 8th graders who attend a comprehensive middle or high school who reside in the 31st Congressional District are eligible to participate in the competition. If you do not know your congressional district, please visit <a href="http://www.house.gov">http://www.house.gov</a> to find out your district.

If you do not live in the 31st Congressional District, please contact your Member of Congress to learn about their deadlines and guidelines.

### Theme:

The Heroes of Our Time

### **Deadline for Entries:**

All artwork is due on February 25, 2011 by 5:00 P.M. Late entries will not be accepted. All artwork must have a signed "Student Release Form" securely attached. Please visit our website at becerra.house.gov to obtain this form.

## Recognition

Each work of art entered into the competition is judged by a panel of judges for the opportunity to be displayed in the United States Capitol for one year. There are also prizes for second and third place winners.

## The winner of the competition receives:

- An all expense paid trip to Washington D.C.
- Artwork is displayed in the United States Capitol for one year
- Acknowledgement during a pre-game program at a Dodgers game

If you have any questions, please contact my district office at (213) 483-1425.

## Artwork should be delivered or mailed to:

Congressman Xavier Becerra 1910 W. Sunset Boulevard, Suite 810 Los Angeles, CA 90026

# **Art Competition Rules & Guidelines**



2010 First Place Winner "Committed to the Future" (Francisca Rodriguez, Jefferson High)

# All art entries must meet the following criteria:

- Artwork must be two-dimensional
- Be no larger than 28 inches wide by 28 inches tall by 4 inches thick
- Not weigh more than 15 pounds
- Be original in concept, design, and execution and may not violate any U.S. copyright laws. Any
  entry that has been copied from an existing photo (Not the student's own), painting, graphic,
  advertisement, or any other work produced by another person is a violation of the competition
  rules and will not be accepted
- Work entered must be in the original medium (Not a scanned reproduction of a painting or drawing)

## Entries must be in one of the following mediums:

- Paintings: oil, acrylics, watercolor, etc.
- Drawings: pastels, colored pencil, pencil, charcoal, ink, markers
- Collage: must be two dimensional
- Prints: lithographs, silkscreen, block prints
- Mixed Media: use of more than two mediums such as pencil, ink, watercolor, etc.
- Computer-generated art
- Photography

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